

# 2014-15 Michigan Statewide Assessments Transition

## Spring 2015 Assessment Update

The 2014-15 and 2015-16 school years will bring substantial change in state required summative assessments. In June of 2014, legislation was passed requiring the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) to develop a new summative assessment for use in Spring 2015. Unlike the previous MEAP assessments, the new assessment will be aligned to Michigan standards, administered in the spring, and measure current year versus past year student knowledge.

English language arts and mathematics will be assessed in grades 3-8 and 11. Science will be assessed in grades 4, 7, and 11; and social studies will be assessed in grades 5, 8, and 11. This assessment will be administered for one year online with a paper and pencil option for schools not technology-ready.

The legislation also requires the department to issue a Request For Proposal by September 1, 2014 for a new summative assessment system to begin in the 2015-16 school year.

### Spring 2015 Testing Schedule for Summative Assessments

	Week Beginning																		
	2/9	2/16	2/23	3/2	3/9	3/16	3/23	3/30	4/6	4/13	4/20	4/27	5/4	5/11	5/18	5/25	6/1	6/8	
Grades 5 and 8												3 wks							
Grades 4 and 7												3 wks							
Grades 3 and 6															3 wks				
Grade 11											3 wks		8 wks						
MI-Access Alternate Assessments													7 wks						
College Entrance							TBD*												
Work Skills							TBD*												
WIDA Access for ELLs								7 wks											
WIDA Alternate Access for ELLs								7 wks											

\*Bids are currently being evaluated. As soon as a contractor is identified, windows will be finalized. These windows are based on the anticipation that current practice will continue. Paper and pencil tests will be administered within the same sub windows as online tests, but with initial and make-up testing dates specified for each grade and content area.

**Icon Legend** Online Assessment Paper/Pencil Assessment

## Spring 2015 Assessments

SUMMATIVE		Grade Level	Subjects (Estimated Testing Times, if available)	Spring 2015 Test Window	Test Mode
<b>Required</b>	<b>General Assessments</b>				
		3-8 & 11	English Language Arts* (grades 3-8 = 4 hrs each; 11 = 4.5 hrs) Mathematics* (grades 3-5 = 3 hrs each; 6-8 = 3.5 hrs; 11 = 4 hrs) <i>(based on Michigan's standards)</i>	Spring 2015	
		4, 7 & 11 5, 8 & 11	Science (grades 4 and 7 = 1.5 hrs each; 11* = 1 hr) Social Studies (grade 5 = 1.4 hrs; 8 = 1.5 hrs; 11* = 1 hr) <i>(based on Michigan's standards)</i>	Spring 2015	
		11	College Entrance and Work Skills <i>More information will be provided later this year.</i>	Spring 2015	
	<b>MI-Access Alternate Assessments</b>				
		3-8 & 11	English Language Arts Mathematics	Spring 2015	
		4, 7 & 11	Science		
		5, 8 & 11	Social Studies-FI only <i>(based on extended standards)</i>		
	<b>English Language Proficiency Assessment</b>				
		<b>WIDA ACCESS for ELLs</b>	K-12	English Language Development Listening (25 minutes - group administered) Reading (35 minutes - group administered) Writing (60 minutes - group administered) Speaking (15 minutes - individually administered) <i>(60 minutes total for Kindergarten Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing-all individually administered)</i>	Spring 2015
	<b>WIDA Alternate ACCESS for ELLs</b>	1-12	English Language Development Listening (20 minutes - individually administered) Reading (20 minutes - individually administered) Writing (20 minutes - individually administered) Speaking (20 minutes - individually administered) <i>Test available beginning in the 1st grade</i>	Spring 2015	
	<b>W-APT Screener</b>	K-12	English Language Development	Year Round	

\* Testing times are estimates.

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